

## STILL BATTLING FOR LIFE IN PEKIN

FOREIGNERS REPORTED  
TO BE HOLDING OUT JULY 3Courier Declares Two Legations Were Standing and  
That Over 2,000 Boxers Were Slain.Chinese Hordes Disheartened—Efforts Will be Renewed to  
Relieve Little Band of Heroes.

London, July 7.—A cable dispatch dated Thursday, 5:50 p. m., received from Shanghai today at the London office of the Chinese inspectorate of maritime customs, says:

"Courier left Pekin July 3, when two legations were holding out against troops and Boxers. Troops had lost 2,000 men and Boxers many leaders."

The telegram comes from Acting Consul General Warren at Shanghai, and confirms from thoroughly trustworthy sources the news received from Pekin July 3, by way of Shanghai.

Warren adds that the messenger says the troops were much disheartened by their losses and that the Boxers claim their mystic powers have been broken by the foreigners and that they dare not approach the legations.

It is further stated that the foreigners at Pekin ought to be able to hold out for a long time, as they have sufficient food and ammunition.

Washington, July 7.—A cablegram was received at the state department this morning from Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai, dated July 7, saying that the legations were standing on July 3, and that the recent attacks of the Boxers had been slight.

They seem disposed to adopt starvation methods.

London, July 7.—Jardine, Mathes &amp; Company, of Shanghai, have telegraphed their London house as follows:

"Shanghai, July 7.—The British legation was standing July 2. There are reassuring reports regarding the lives of the Europeans."

FRESH RELIEF  
EXPEDITION SOON

Washington, July 7.—One certain effect of Consul General Goodnow's dispatch telling of the recent safety of the legations will be to cause the officials here, and without doubt the European governments, to redouble their efforts to push forward a force to Pekin.

The main hope for speedy action is still in Japan. According to the Japanese legation here, which has late advices from Tokyo, 22,000 Japanese soldiers are now on Chinese soil. If this is true, the Japanese government has accomplished more than was expected and the officials see no reason why the advance on Pekin should not begin immediately.

Japan is not expected to make this campaign single handed. The international forces at Taku and Tien Tsin will co-operate to the extent of the Japanese army corps in the movement on Pekin. What form that co-operation shall take is not known. Such details will be left to the commanders in the field.

It is said that Japan is to be compensated for the work she is about to undertake in the common cause. Her military preparations are very extensive and the campaign is certain to involve heavy cost. It would be unjust to expect Japan to meet this herself. She has no missionaries in China, and consequently is perhaps less interested selfishly than any of the powers in the terrible happenings in Shan Tung and Pekin. It is conjectured that this question of compensation is after all what has caused the apparent delay in the resumption of the campaign against Pekin, but it is believed that this has now been adjusted and operations will progress rapidly.

If the powers have agreed upon the form Japan's indemnity is to assume, the facts cannot be eluded here. The impression, however, is that there will be a money indemnity, the belief being based on the fact that such is the only form of indemnity so far suggested that would be the least likely to arouse international jealousies.

Either China itself or the powers collectively would have to provide for the payment of this indemnity, though even in the first case it is probable that the powers' contribution would be in the nature of a loan and in the end China would be obliged to make good the advance through some form of taxation.

The state department has not yet heard officially from the Russian government as to Japan's proposition to supply the major portion of the force required for the Pekin campaign, but has not the least doubt that Russia will not object. In fact, the department has gathered that all the European governments have taken a similar view of the Japanese proposition, and it is disposed to feel some pride in the fact that the advances made in the first place by the government of the United States have brought about this state of affairs.

WE ARE ANXIOUS  
FOR THE MINISTERS

Washington, July 7.—No one in Washington is more anxious to hear of the safety of the foreign legations in Pekin than Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese minister. He carefully reads every word of Chinese news that appears in the papers, and eagerly asks all the reporters who can tell him the latest developments in the Chinese situation. He also keeps in close touch with the officials in Washington and makes periodical visits to the state department to ascertain if any intelligence has come to hand.

His interest in what is taking place in the remotest character, as he realizes the grave danger with which his country is threatened. He is apprehensive of what may have happened as a result of the existing disturbances in Pekin and other parts of that reports which have come of the racking of the legations and the danger of the ministers have been exaggerated, and that when the truth comes to light in which they are now represented to be. At the same time he has no positive information on which to base his hopes, resting them mainly on the belief that whoever may be at the head of the government will be able to keep the unruly elements in hand and prevent any wholesale murder of foreigners.

If the ministers are in the British

legation he believes they can hold out for some time. Unless they have exhausted their supplies of provisions and ammunition, he says, a limited number, under favorable circumstances, might hold out for a time against a force of Chinese ten times as large. Most of the Chinese imperial troops, he says, are loyal to the government, and he takes comfort in the hope that they will uphold it in its efforts to put down the revolution.

The minister does not believe there will be any demonstrations against foreigners in the central and southern provinces of the empire. Any indications of that character he feels will be promptly put down by the vigilance of the viceroys of the various provinces.

IMPROVEMENT IN  
SOUTHERN CHINA.

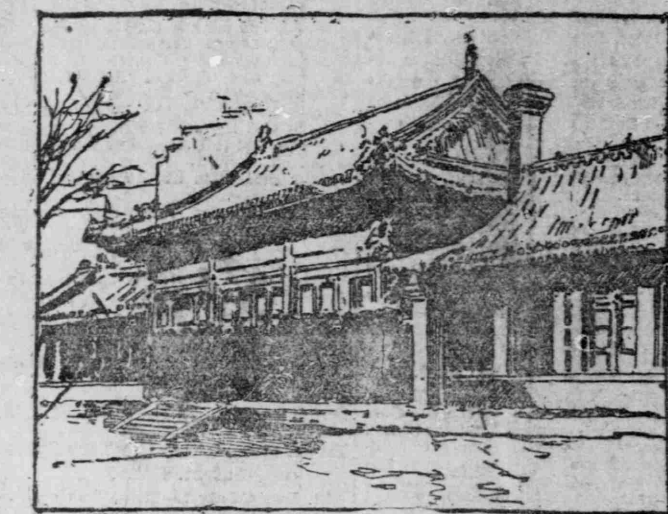
Paris, July 7.—The French consul at Shanghai telegraphs, under date of July 3, that the viceroys of Nankin, Fou Chang, Foo Chow and Sze Houn, and the governors of Kiang Si and Nanan Houel have just issued a proclamation couched in vigorous terms for the protection of foreigners. The governor of Che Kiang alone, it is added, published Prince Tuan's edict against foreigners. The consuls have informed the admirals of the attitude of the latter functionary. A telegram from the French consul at Tien Tsin, dated June 28, said he then considered the situation somewhat improved. A telegram from the French consul at Hoi How, dated July 7, says:

"The agitation of the past few days has subsided, and calm is re-established, thanks to the vigorous measures of the authorities."

The consul of France at Che Foo, under date of July 4, transmits a rumor that Tung Fu Shan is master of the situation at Pekin, and is preparing an edict against foreigners. Rebels, this consul also says, occupy the Yellow river.

AMERICA ACTS  
WITH MORE ENERGY

Washington, July 7.—The issue today of the formal orders for the dispatch to the east of more than 6,000 troops from the army posts in the United States was a manifestation of the energy with which the government is now about to act in the Chinese matter. True, these troops are nominally destined for the Philippines to replace the volunteers now there, but it is admitted that they are being sent out by a route that will

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Where Heroic Band of Foreigners is Withstanding Chinese Hordes.

easily admit of defection to Taku or some other convenient Chinese port.

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## LOVEY AT KANSAS CITY.



How Some Notable Democrats Looked to the Herald's Staff Artist.

## THAT THE PEOPLE MAY CHOOSE.

## REPUBLICAN PLATFORM.

"We renew our allegiance to principle of the gold standard. We declare our steadfast opposition to the free and unlimited coinage of silver."

## DEMOCRATIC PLATFORM.

"We demand the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation."

ing on the situation in China. Once the viceroys of central and southern China become satisfied that the foreign legations are actually coming in force, they may be counted upon to take the warning to themselves and continue to observe neutrality at least. Evidently Consul General Goodnow's suggestion of yesterday has had its effect, for he pointed out himself the beneficial effects that the addition of troops to the soldiers now in China would have.

THINKS LEGATION  
IS STILL SAFE

Seattle, Wash., July 7.—J. D. Clark, editor of the Shanghai Mercury and war correspondent of the London News, arrived here today on the Rio Jun Maru from Shanghai. He has been a resident of China for forty years. Speaking of the conditions there, he said:

"I see by the dispatches that hope has been given up of the safety of the foreigners in Pekin. I cannot think the conditions warrant this belief, and am of the opinion they are yet safe time. There are about 100 English-speaking people in Pekin, and these, we know, have taken refuge in the British legation. That building is a large and strongly built place, and while there

tured out alone while the hideous cries of 'Kill the foreign devils' were being shouted from every corner. He was recognized as a foreigner, and to my mind, the men who did the work were not aware of his official position. So I say we need not give up hope for the inmates of the British legation yet, although help must be rendered soon."

Powers' Slowness Brings Trouble.

"I have the best hopes for the safety of Shanghai and the cities in the adjacent provinces. While the viceroys are the appointees of the emperor, they are sensible enough to countermand anything that would rob them of their sympathy with the Boxer movement, and are at least semi-friendly toward foreigners. Of course, while there is dilatory action on the part of the powers the Boxers will gain strength, and to predict what they are capable of doing would be foolish."

"The backward policy of the powers on account of insufficient troops has added strength to the Boxers, and to those who know the country it is no surprise that the anti-foreign movement is extending southward. It will be necessary for the powers to gather a sufficient force to not only take Pekin, but to capture the emperor, suppress dowager and other Boxer heads. Just as long as they are allowed free-

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REPUBLICANS  
FOR STEVENSONCommittee of Silver Wing  
Issues a Manifesto.TRUSTS CONTROL  
PARTY OF LINCOLNWhite Metal's Friends Urged to  
Vote Democratic Ticket.

Kansas City, July 7.—The silver Republican party today, by its executive committee, issued the following address:

"To the Silver Republicans of the United States—The Democratic national convention of 1900 has nominated W. J. Bryan for president and Adlai E. Stevenson for vice president. The silver Republican national convention of 1900 has nominated W. J. Bryan for president and referred the matter of a candidate for vice president to its national committee with power to act."

Your committee has carefully considered the whole matter. It met in conference with the representatives of the Democratic and People's national committees and went over the ground fully. Your committee found itself face to face with these facts:

"In 1896 thousands of voters who had heretofore voted the Republican ticket found themselves so widely at variance with their party's platform that they could not, without self-stultification, longer act with the Republican party. In that year they found in the Democratic candidate for president, and in the platform upon which he stood a complete and sufficient justification for giving him their hearty support. With him they went down to defeat, but in that defeat won a victory for mankind."

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WILL DECIDE TODAY AS  
TO TOWNE'S WITHDRAWALConference at Bryan's Home Will Settle Question  
Whether There Shall be Two Running Mates.

Leader's Home is a Mecca For Democrats, Montana Delegation Being the First to Arrive.

Lincoln, Neb., July 7.—The question whether W. J. Bryan is to have one or two running mates is expected to be settled at a conference that will be held at his home tomorrow with Charles A. Towne and other Democratic and Populist leaders.

Charles A. Towne, George Fred Williams, Joseph Daniel of North Carolina and Willis J. Abbott reached Lincoln about midnight. Mr. Bryan met them at the train, but remained with them only while they were being driven to their hotel. Mr. Towne declined to be interviewed, pleading weariness, and retired immediately.

Whether Mr. Towne will remain until Tuesday, when the vice presidential candidate and Chairman Jones are to be here, is not known, but the presumption is that he will.

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